

KENTUCKY WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER REPORT



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AGRICULTURAL NEWS: Last week was basically cool and rainy across the State. All areas of Kentucky received much needed rain. Western areas that had been dry received a good soaking rain. Cooler temperatures were experienced with the high's reaching into the mid-70's and averaged 7 degrees below normal. Topsoil moisture as of Friday, June 1 was rated 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, 73 percent adequate and 14 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 6 percent very short, 31 percent short, 57 percent adequate and 6 percent surplus. Farmers last week set tobacco, planted soybeans and cut and baled hay as weather permitted. Days suitable for fieldwork averaged 3.6 of a possible 6 days.

TOBACCO: As of Sunday, June 3, 70 percent of the **burley tobacco** acreage had been set. This was down from 80 percent last year while above the 57 percent five year average. Burley height under 12 inches was 94 percent of the set crop, 12 to 24 inches was 5 percent and 24 plus inches was 1 percent. Farmers had also set 76 percent of their intended **dark tobacco**, up from 73 percent last year and 64 percent for average. Tobacco setting picked up last week after much needed rain was received. Minimal insect and disease problems have been reported. Farmers report very few fields having to be replanted. Condition of the set tobacco as of Friday was 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 55 percent good and 8 percent excellent.

CORN: The 2001 corn crop was 99 percent emerged as of Sunday. This was ahead of 97 percent for last year and 86 percent for the average. The average height of the emerged corn was 23 inches with the most advanced

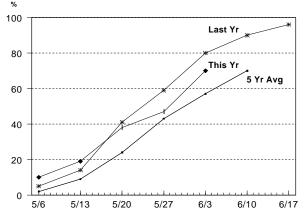
fields being 34 inches. The corn crop as of Friday was 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 58 percent good and 16 percent excellent.

SOYBEANS: Farmers were actively planting soybeans last week and by Sunday 76 percent of the their intended acreage had been planted. This continues to be ahead of last year with 61 percent and the average of 45 percent. As planting continues this year farmers are starting to plant soybeans following the harvest of barley and winter wheat. Of the planted acreage 72 percent had emerged, ahead of last years's 51 percent and the average of 25 percent. The soybean crop was rated as 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 53 percent good and 13 percent excellent.

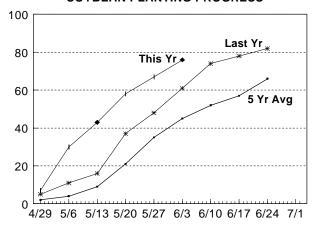
SMALL GRAINS: Farmers have just started to harvest their **winter wheat** with 2 percent harvested. Some lodging of the crop has occurred due to storms sweeping across the State. Condition of the wheat crop was 1 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 50 percent good and 9 percent excellent. Harvesting of the **barley** crop was 20 percent complete. This compares to 21 percent last year and 18 percent for the average.

OTHER CROPS: Harvesting of <u>hay</u> was slowed by rainy weather across the State. Farmers are looking for a better second crop of hay than their first cutting due to the improved soil moisture. First cutting was hurt by the dry spring. <u>Pastures</u> have received new vitality due to the recent rains. As of Friday, they were rated 4 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 35 percent good and 8 percent excellent. <u>Grain sorghum</u> was 78 percent planted. <u>Nitrogen fertilizer supplies</u> available to farmers in Kentucky was 99 percent of normal.

BURLEY TOBACCO SET PROGRESS



SOYBEAN PLANTING PROGRESS



KENTUCKY CROP PROGRESS

WEEK ENDING JUNE 3, 2001 WITH COMPARISONS

SOIL MOISTURE WEEK ENDING JUNE 1, 2001 WITH COMPARISONS

This	Previous	5-Yr.	Previous Week		
Week	Y ear	Avg.	KY	U.S.	
Percentage					
99	97	86	97	80	
76	61	45	67	70	
72	51	25	61	45	
70	80	57	47	NA	
76	73	64	59	NA	
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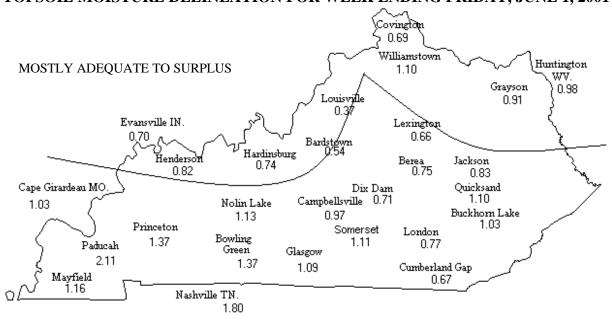
	This	Previous
	Week	Week
	Perc	entage
TOPSOIL		
Very Short	1	3
Short	12	13
Adequate	73	62
Surplus	14	22
SUBSOIL		
Very Short	6	7
Short	31	33
Adequate	57	52
Surplus	6	8
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(NA) Data Not Available.

KENTUCKY CROP CONDITIONS (Percent)

WEEK ENDING JUNE 1, 2001						7	WEEK EN	DING M	AY 25, 20	001
CROP	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCEL- LENT	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCEL- LENT
Corn	1	4	21	58	16	2	5	28	54	11
Soybeans	1	4	29	53	13	1	5	29	54	11
Wheat	1	7	33	50	9	1	5	38	45	11
Pasture	4	12	41	35	8	5	14	42	35	4
Tobacco Set	1	5	31	55	8	2	4	29	56	9

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 7:00 P.M. TOPSOIL MOISTURE DELINEATION FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2001



MOSTLY ADEQUATE TO SHORT

KENTUCKY WEATHER SUMMARY, MAY 28 - JUNE 3, 2001:

BELOW NORMAL TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL:

Cool temperatures and scattered rain showers were the story last week. The showers provided much need rainfall to Kentucky especially to western portions of the State. These showers however did continue to cause interruptions to field activities. Some of the storms were severe and provided the first tornado of the year in London, Kentucky on June 2. Temperatures were also cool with highs only in the 60s and 70s when normal is around 80 across the State.

Temperatures for the period averaged 63 degrees across the State which was 7 degrees BELOW NORMAL. High temperatures averaged from 75 in the West to 72 in the East. Departure from normal high temperatures ranged from 9 degrees BELOW NORMAL in the West to 8 degrees BELOW NORMAL in the East. Low temperatures averaged from 56 degrees in the West to 53 degrees in the East. Departure from normal low temperature ranged from 5 degrees BELOW NORMAL in the West to 6 degrees BELOW NORMAL in the East.

Rainfall for the period totaled 0.94 inches statewide which was 0.05 inches BELOW NORMAL. Precipitation totals by climate division, West 1.20 inches, Central 0.87 inches, Bluegrass 0.75 inches and East 0.92 inches, which was +0.20, -0.15, -0.21 and -0.04 inches respectively from normal. By Kentucky station, precipitation totals ranged from a low of 0.37 inches at Louisville to a high of 2.11 inches at Paducah.

Tom Priddy

KENTUCKY TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL

FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 7:00 P.M.

		Rainfall		Deviation	on From	Air Temperature		Growing Degree Days				
Weather Station	Last Week	Since April 1	Last Four Wks	Norm Since Apr. 1	Norm Last 4 Wks	High	Low	Wkly. Avg.	Dev. From Norm	Last Week	Since Apr. 1	Dev. Since Apr. 1
	,	Inches)						es Fahren				
Bardstown	0.54	7.17	5.00	-1.55	+1.03	79	45	62.9	-8	91	941	+110
Berea	0.75	5.58	4.02	-3.89	-0.25	77	44	61.9	-8	87	946	+84
Bowling Green	1.37	7.65	5.40	-2.03	+1.00	80	49	64.9	-6	103	1036	+171
Bristol	0.97	6.37	4.54	-1.18	+1.04	78	48	65.2	-4	106	873	+106
Buckhorn Lake	1.03	7.28	4.97	-1.00	+1.24	77	48	62.9	-7	89	923	+162
Cape Girardeau	1.03	5.37	2.67	-4.60	-1.86	81	53	67.3	-5	119	1055	+156
Campbellsville	0.97	7.46	5.08	-2.89	+0.48	79	47	63.8	-7	98	978	+119
Covington	0.69	7.28	5.70	-1.13	+1.86	75	46	60.2	-9	74	853	+119
Cumberland Gap	0.67	6.12	3.84	-3.20	-0.47	80	47	65.4	-4	107	959	+195
Dix Dam	0.71	6.62	4.93	-2.71	+0.74	77	47	62.3	-7	86	935	+104
Evansville	0.70	5.62	3.89	-3.50	-0.29	79	48	64.6	-8	102	1023	+188
Glasgow	1.09	7.66	5.10	-2.41	+0.56	81	45	65.6	-5	110	1027	+225
Grayson	0.91	9.77	8.29	+1.50	+4.47	75	50	61.7	-8	81	906	+206
Hardinsburg	0.74	7.13	5.41	-2.43	+1.10	78	48	63.9	-7	97	1012	+147
Henderson	0.82	5.89	3.49	-3.30	-0.56	78	49	64.8	-8	102	1040	+175
Huntington	0.98	10.84	9.32	+2.61	+5.51	76	50	61.6	-8	80	902	+138
Jackson	0.83	6.55	4.74	-2.41	+0.75	75	48	61.7	-8	82	918	+157
Lexington	0.66	7.54	6.40	-1.18	+2.43	76	47	62.1	-7	84	930	+193
London	0.77	7.06	5.25	-1.48	+1.45	78	45	63.2	-6	93	879	+115
Louisville	0.37	7.68	6.67	-1.52	+2.60	77	47	63.3	-7	93	992	+157
Mayfield	1.16	4.75	3.23	-5.65	-1.15	78	50	63.6	-9	93	961	+35
Nashville	1.80	8.34	5.91	-1.27	+1.62	79	53	66.9	-4	117	1067	+138
Nolin Lake	1.13	7.67	5.71	-2.73	+0.90	79	49	64.5	-6	100	1025	+200
Paducah	2.11	7.00	4.94	-3.35	+0.55	80	52	66.2	-6	111	1062	+163
Princeton	1.37	5.44	3.28	-4.70	-1.11	80	51	66.8	-6	116	1127	+232
Quicksand	1.10	7.43	5.22	-1.53	+1.23	77	48	62.4	-7	87	916	+155
Somerset	1.11	8.30	5.88	-1.54	+1.37	77	45	62.4	-7	91	932	+104
Spindletop	0.59	6.88	5.10	-1.84	+1.13	75	48	60.9	-9	76	875	+138
Williamstown	1.10	7.44	6.29	-1.50	+2.36	77	46	60.9	-9	79	919	+182

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Crop Progress and Condition

Week Ending May 27, 2001

Corn Percent Emerged

	May 27	Prev	Prev	5-Yr				
State	2001	Week	Year	Avg				
CO	79	45	72	71				
IL	95	92	96	NA				
IN	100	95	90	NA				
IA	77	58	99	82				
KS	95	88	93	NA				
KY	97	93	93	78				
MI	74	53	70	48				
MN	59	30	97	74				
MO	84	75	99	NA				
NE	83	61	94	79				
NC	98	95	96	NA				
ND	51	14	87	45				
OH	97	86	87	60				
PA	66	54	69	NA				
SD	53	22	79	NA				
TN	100	99	93	NA				
TX	92	85	96	NA				
WI	43	34	82	NA				
ALL	80	65	92	NA				
These	These 18 States planted 92% of last year's							
corn acreage.								

Soybeans Percent Planted

	May 27	Prev	Prev	5-Yr		
State	2001	Week	Year	Avg.		
AR	65	57	46	46		
IL	86	81	95	67		
IN	96	94	85	66		
IA	60	47	98	77		
KS	77	62	80	59		
KY	67	58	48	35		
LA	91	79	85	76		
MI	75	58	41	49		
MN	56	43	94	75		
MS	95	91	84	82		
MO	55	41	79	49		
NE	74	51	93	71		
NC	40	25	36	34		
ND	49	27	91	53		
OH	88	86	82	65		
SD	50	22	83	55		
TN	59	49	29	30		
WI	40	34	82	67		
ALL	70	58	83	64		
These	18 States pl	lanted 959	% of last	year's		
sovbean acreage.						

Winter Wheat Percent Headed

	May 27	Prev	Prev	5-Yr		
State	2001	Week	Year	Avg.		
AR	100	100	100	100		
CA	99	99	99	99		
CO	48	30	84	59		
ID	3	0	14	7		
IL	96	88	99	86		
IN	100	88	97	77		
KS	98	87	100	95		
MI	39	8	46	27		
MO	96	90	98	87		
MT	0	0	9	4		
NE	54	23	81	43		
NC	100	100	100	100		
OH	96	46	96	60		
OK	100	99	100	100		
OR	28	10	36	35		
SD	1	0	32	12		
TX	98	92	98	96		
WA	34	15	41	31		
ALL	79	69	85	77		
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